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SUBJECT: ROGERS' ARRIVAL STATEMENT

FOR ARA

TRANSMITTED HERewith IS DRAFT ARRIVAL STATEMENT FOR  
ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF STATE FOR INTER-AMERICAN AFFAIRS  
WILLIAM D. ROGERS:

"I AM VERY PLEASED TO BE BACK IN VENEZUELA, A  
COUNTRY I RECALL WITH GREAT FONDNESS AS A RESULT  
OF SEVERAL PREVIOUS VISITS.

"I FEEL ESPECIALLY PRIVILEGED TO BE HERE TODAY  
IN MY NEW CAPACITY AS ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF  
STATE FOR INTER-AMERICAN AFFAIRS.

"AS YOU KNOW, SECRETARY OF STATE HENRY KISSINGER  
PLANS TO VISIT SOUTH AMERICA NEXT MONTH TO CONFER  
WITH HEMISPHERIC LEADERS. I HAVE COME TO VENEZUELA  
TO HAVE PRELIMINARY TALKS WITH REPRESENTATIVES OF  
YOUR GOVERNMENT.

"YOU WILL RECALL THAT DR. KISSINGER HAS HAD THE OPPORTUNITY  
RECENTLY TO MEET AND CONFER IN WASHINGTON WITH YOUR  
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FOREIGN MINISTER, DR. RAMON ESCOVAR SALOM, AFTER THE

BOSTON SYMPOSIUM. WE HOPE NOT ONLY TO CARRY OUT BUT TO  
INTENSIFY THE DIALOGUE ALREADY BEGUN TO THE MUTUAL  
BENEFIT OF OUR TWO COUNTRIES.

"WE HOPE THAT OUR BILATERAL TALKS WILL LEAD TO A STRENGTHENED  
RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN OUR COUNTRIES BASED ON WHAT SECRETARY  
KISSINGER OUTLINED AS "THE PRINCIPLES OF NON-INTERVENTION,  
THE SOVEREIGN EQUALITY OF NATIONS AND THE MUTUAL RESPECT  
AMONG PARTNERS."

WE SUGGEST THAT THE ASSISTANT SECRETARY READ ARRIVAL STATEMENT IN  
SPANISH AT THE VIP LOUNGE OF THE AIRPORT WHERE MEDIA  
REPRESENTATIVES, INCLUDING RADIO AND TELEVISION REPORTERS,  
WILL BE PRESENT. WE FURTHER SUGGEST THAT THE ASSISTANT SECRETARY  
TAKE TWO OR THREE QUESTIONS BUT THAT HE TELL THE PRESS THAT HE  
PREFERS TO RESERVE HIS COMMENTS UNTIL HE HAS HAD AN OPPORTUNITY  
TO MEET WITH GOV OFFICIALS. WE ANTICIPATE THAT THE ASSISTANT  
SECRETARY WILL BE ASKED WHEN AMBASSADOR-DESIGNATE SHLAUDEMAN  
WILL ARRIVE IN VENEZUELA. USIS THEN COULD MAKE ARRANGEMENTS  
LATER FOR A PRESS CONFERENCE IF DESIRED. USIS WILL, AFTER  
APPROVAL OF THIS TEXT, TRANSLATE INTO SPANISH AND HAVE BOTH  
VERSIONS AVAILABLE AT THE AIRPORT FOR THE SECRETARY AND DISTRI-  
BUTION. DECONTROL AFTER MARCH 15.  
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